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Present law establishes the Video Draw Poker Device Fund (hereinafter the "fund") and provides for the distribution and expenditure of monies in the fund.

Present law requires that monies in the fund be withdrawn only pursuant to appropriation by the legislature and be distributed as follows:

(1) 25% to be distributed in the following priority:

(a) To provide district attorneys and assistant district attorneys increased compensation as provided by law enacted in the 1992 R.S. not to exceed $5,400,000.

(b) Remaining monies after the distribution to district attorneys and assistant district attorneys to be distributed as follows:

(i) To the governing authorities of municipalities in which video draw poker devices are operated as provided by law.

(ii) To the governing authority of each parish in which video draw poker devices are operated and the sheriff of each such parish, to be divided equally between them, as provided by law.

(2) An amount allocated to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and to the Department of Justice pursuant to legislative appropriation.

(3) Any monies in the fund not required to meet the requirements in present law shall be credited to and deposited in the state general fund as they become available. Any unexpended or unencumbered monies remaining in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall revert to the state general fund.

Proposed law provides that any portion of the unexpended or unencumbered monies remaining in the fund at the end of the fiscal year after the 25% allocation is made pursuant to present law shall not revert to the state general fund but shall be distributed in accordance with present law. Proposed law further provides any remaining portion of the 75% of the unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall revert to the state general fund.

Effective upon signature of the governor or after lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 27:437(C)(3))